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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Logistics Office

SUBJECT   : Study of Classified Printing.   25X1A9A

REFERENCE   : Memo for the Record dtd 12 Oct 54 fr [   ]
                 [   ] sub: "Study of Classified Printing by the   25X1A9A
                 Staff of the Joint Committee on Printing."

    1. I have noted the referenced memorandum. Insofar as the
problems (outlined in paragraph 2. of reference) to be considered
by this Committee are concerned, the CIA representative should act
in a purely advisory capacity since we are not concerned with the
operation of the main GPO Plant.

    2. The information contained in paragraph 5. emphasizes the
necessity of not having CIA classified work done at the main GPO
Plant and none should be done there in the future without the per-
mission of this Office.

    3. With regard to the questions raised in paragraph 7., Civil
Service Commission investigation and clearance of personnel to work
on classified printing would not be sufficient to satisfy the needs
of this Agency. Insofar as work now being done at the main GPO
Plant is concerned, this Agency has no real interest in whether it
is done centrally or on a decentralized basis.....that is, with the
understanding that we are talking about centralization in the Gov-
ernment Printing Office or decentralization to GPO Field Offices.
The GPO-State Service Plant will of necessity come into this pic-
ture.

    4. I do not believe that it would ever be possible to do CIA's
classified printing in anything other than CIA's own plant facili-
ties or in other facilities which are controlled in a manner compar-
able to the GPO-State Service Plant. The sensitivity of our print-
ing activity is such that I do not believe we could ever agree to
have it done in a centrally controlled GPO setup where we did not
have control of the security measures taken.

                                                        /s/

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